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Not with mournful accents blending
With the owlet's lonely call;
But within my lowly dwelling
When I quench the glimmering light
Clearly through the silence welling
Rise the Voices of the Night.

Ah! I still my heart's quick beating,
And some prayer I mutter o'er,
Vainly for response entreating
Vainly; for they come once more;
"Henry, some one's in here, surely,
There's a smell of smoke, I think,
Did you bolt that door securely?"—
Papa! Papa! Want a drink?

A ROMANCE.

Chapter I.

Old Paulo Serati sat beneath the tree in his front yard during the long summer day and listened to Angelo Argenti read to him. She lived on another street, but she was a firm friend of old Paulo, and there was not a day that passed that she did not either call or write to him.

She was bright and pretty, with long eyelashes and deep, black eyes that looked up into the old man's face, mirroring the love she had for him in her heart. There were times, too, when she would tell him that it was not necessary to read so much, and then she would sing some of the good, old fashioned tunes that he had sung when he was a boy on the farm.

Her laughter, too, used to lighten up the gloomy house, and old Paulo used to say:

"Ah, my lass, you must get a good husband."

This always caused her to toss her head, showing two rows of pearly white teeth.

"You are already married," she would retort, and his wife would often join them in this good-natured joking.

"There is not a girl in all Italy any prettier than you," old Paulo used to tell her, "and I don't believe there is one your equal in Milan. I like you so well, my lass, that I am anxious to have you marry some good man. The good father was telling me just the other day that I must look after you."

"But my own father and mother can do that," she would answer. "You don't seem to realize that they are living and that I am very happy with them."

"I know," said Paulo, "but I don't think that they can think more of you than I do. Why, I've known you since you were a little baby lying in your mother's arms and cooing when-ever I came near you."

"We are good friends," she would say.

"That we are," he would answer, "and times when you don't come when I expect you, I realize how dear you are to us. Neither wife nor I think that the morning or the afternoon is perfect if you don't come in to see us. Your father told me the other day, that I would spoil you; that you had begun to have ideas of marriage, as I spoke about it few minutes ago."

"There is no one I know of," she answered.

"There are many young fellows around here who would like to marry you, that I know," he answered.

"I don't love them," she would say, with a shake of her head. "The man I marry must have my love."

"That's right, Angelo," he said, "you must marry for love and not for wealth, but still you must be sure that your husband can support you."

"Oh, I will," she replied.

Then she took up the book she was reading about to him, and went on, while he lighted his pipe and sat looking at her. Sometimes when she read for a few minutes she would stop and the two would sit perfectly still, looking up through the crescent the sky, always the bluest in Italy.

They were occupied with their own thoughts, and once she suddenly asked him:

"How is Martino?"

"He is well," answered Paulo. "He is in St. Louis in the navy American."

The two sat for several seconds, and then he said:

"He is a good son. Yes, he's a good son," he repeated.

The girl looked at him and nodded assent.

"Yes he is good—and handsome," she added, for she had seen his photograph, although she had never seen him.

Then she sung a few lines of an old love song and, as suddenly recollecting herself, stopped abruptly. She was blushing, and an odd light was in her eyes when she looked up the book and resumed her reading.

The old man looked at her a moment. She was conscious of his scrutiny, and held a book up in front of her face. He noticed that her little hands trembled.

Then he nodded his head and laughed and chuckled to himself. He thought that he had learned something that perhaps even she did not know.

Chapter II.

Martino Serati had prospered in America. He was a poor but hard-working Italian lad when he came to this country. His knowledge of the language was limited, but he started in to learn the American ways and the American language.

"It is slow," he said to one of his friends once, "but I will learn after awhile. Others have had to learn and so will I."

"You must marry an American girl. Then you will always have some one to talk to you in the language," replied his friend.

"I will become a native of this country," Martino responded, "but I will marry an Italian girl. I don't know who it will be," he hastened to add, "for I don't intend to marry until I am prosperous; until I can support a wife in the manner in which she should be supported. You know I hope some day to have a home of my own, out in the suburbs of some city. There I can have room to stir around in, and not be huddled together like we are compelled to live in the tenements and in the crowded city streets."

"You want to sit out in the yard like the old people do in Italy, eh?" said his friend. "Do you often think of them?"

"Very often," responded Martino, [illegible] nothing out in the [illegible] and smiling, I marry[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [

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...ra, February 18, 1898.

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...blockade of Cuban ports is ...why doesn't the Spanish ...an attempt to enter Ha-

...W. KEENE, the tragedian, ...York on Wednesday from ...ad an operation for append...ts years.

...RANT took the oath as ...general at Chickamauga ...The oath was adminis...Judge George A. H. Harris ...n, an ex-Confederate.

...Republican State convention ...Harrisburg yesterday Col. W. ...Grey's candidate, received ...ation for governor. This ...ainst the famous Delamater ...of 1896. Is history about to ...

...ar dollar with Uncle Sam's ...ay it will not buy a bushel ...wheat in Sam Hill would the ...dollar do when compelled ...on its own merits of 16 to 1?

...the Kansas Populists are ...to look upon this 43 cent ...a grain of doubt.

...man had just cause to re...ce it is Admiral Sampson. ...the success at least a million ...Photo Engravers who have ...what they call a picture of ...ounds prints appear as though a ...of whitewash had been thrown ...for a finishing touch.

...ould the men in the United ...ay are untried. This is true. ...they conduct themselves ...trial comes was shown dur...ruiting of the cables at Cien...For nearly three hours these ...heroes worked in open ...within 200 feet of Spanish ...under a galling fire, in the ...of death, without flinch...were killed and six wound...ing out the cable.

...is nothing surprising in the ...Spanish admirals strive to ...eeting with either Sampson ...whom we think of the treat...Admiral Montojo is receiv...the battle of Manila. When ...of that battle reached Madrid ...ish Minister of Marines re...he joined the cabinet that ...ue of such an exhilarating ...that he could hardly restrain ...And now they are going to ...Admiral Montojo for his ...in the management of the ...Spain's sailors and soldiers will ...believe that no matter what ...against martial will follow.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, May 30, 1898.

President McKinley and Secretary Long are satisfied from information they have received, official and otherwise, that Commodore Schley has the Spanish fleet penned up in the harbor at Santiago de Cuba, but the invasion of Cuba will not be ordered until Commodore Schley has officially reported that the Spanish fleet is in Santiago harbor. This report may be made any hour. If the Spanish fleet is there it will be helpless to do us any harm, and will in the end be absolutely bound to be captured or destroyed. Although a portion of the volunteer army is still unprovided with all needed equipments, there are more than 25,000 men, about three-fourths regulars, ready for embarkation and they can all be landed in Cuba within 24 hours after orders are issued.

President McKinley left his work long enough Saturday afternoon to visit Camp Alger, on the Virginia side of the Potomac, near Washington, and reviewed 13,000 of the 20,000 volunteers now assembled there; lack of equipment prevented all of the men taking part in the review. President McKinley expressed himself as highly pleased with the spirit displayed by the men.

This week each of the governors will be officially notified of the number of men his State is expected to furnish on the second call for troops, by the President last week. There is no special hurry about enlisting these 75,000 men. In the first place they will probably not be needed; they have been called for more to provide for unexpected contingencies than because of any pressing need for them at this time, and in the next place, there will be no equipment for them until after those already in service have been all provided for.

The Memorial Day exercises at Arlington and other cemeteries in the vicinity of Washington were unusually interesting this year.

What is treason! This question be comes of the greatest importance when the country is engaged in war. It is a serious matter to accuse men of being traitors, but black doesn't become white because it isn't called black. In times of peace it was all right for men to oppose the annexation of Hawaii because they did not personally believe that this country would be benefitted thereby, but now that the President, his entire cabinet and every officer in the army and navy whose opinion has been asked, have declared that the immediate annexation of Hawaii is a military necessity, without which our attempting to hold the Philippine Islands may be turned into a disastrous failure and all of the fruits of Dewey's great victory be lost, it is not all right. On the contrary, it is all wrong. That free speech may at times become dangerous is shown by the activity of the sugar trust lobby to prevent Congress providing for annexation of Hawaii, notwithstanding that the administration, a large majority of Congress and an overwhelming majority of people were strongly in favor of annexation even before it was declared to have become a military necessity. If this lobby isn't guilty of treason, it is dangerously near to being guilty. From the day that the President declared annexation to be a military necessity it has been the patriotic duty of Congress to annex, without regard to personal opinions of individuals.

Just as soon as President McKinley can get the time he will issue an order, in accordance with an elaborate opinion prepared by Attorney General Griggs, declaring that the government printing office never was legitimately under the civil service rules, because it belongs under the legislative, and not the executive branch of the government. The same opinion has operated to put an end to the movement for the placing of the Congressional Library under the civil service rules because the library, like the government printing office, is a Congressional institution. There are many desirable places in the G. O. P. now held by Democrats.

Paymaster General Stanton has made plans which will insure the regular payment of the troops sent to the Philippine Islands. Paymasters supplied with money enough for three months pay accompanied the troops which have already gone and the same plan will be followed as other troops are sent. Only gold and silver will be used in making these payments.

Senator Gorman exploded a few bombs in the ranks of the anti-bond silverites in the Senate in a patriotic speech he made in favor of upholding the hands of the government by authorizing the issue of bonds and opposing the issue of either silver certificates or greenbacks. After calling attention to the fact that no war had been fought without an issue of bonds and expressing the opinion that none was ever likely to be, Mr. Gorman exploded his heaviest bomb by saying that if the Senate refused to authorize bonds the President would be compelled to issue them as soon as he was bound to have money, under the law of 1875.

SPAIN'S POWER 300 YEARS AGO.

Macaulay drew this picture of the power of Spain 300 years ago: The empire of Philip the second was undoubtedly one of the most powerful and splendid that ever existed in the world. It is no exaggeration to say that during several years his power over Europe was greater than even that of Napoleon. In America his dominions extended on both sides of the equator into the temperate zone. There is reason to believe that his annual revenues amounted, in the season of his greatest power, to a sum ten times as large as that which England yielded to Elizabeth. He had a standing army of 50,000 troops, when England did not have a single battalion in constant pay. He held, what no other prince in modern times has held, the dominion both of the land and the sea. During the greater part of his reign he was supreme on both elements. His soldiers marched up to the capital of France; his ships menaced the shores of England, Spain had what Napoleon desired in vain—ships, colonies and commerce. She long monopolized the trade of America and of the Indian Ocean. All the gold of the West and all the spices of the East were received and distributed by her. Even after the defeat of the Armada, English statesmen continued to look with great dread on the maritime power of Philip. . . . Whoever wishes to be well acquainted with the morbid anatomy of governments, whoever wishes to know how great States may be made feeble and wretched, should study the history of Spain.—Phila. Times.

THAT the pen is mightier than the sword is again proved. If Captain Charles King, the writer of charming fiction, had remained in the army he would now probably be a major. But he resigned some years ago in order to give all his time to literary work, and he has been appointed a brigadier general.—Pittsburg News.

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ARMY CONSOLIDATION.

The work of marking the boundary line between the United States and Canada was a tremendous task; wherever there is no natural boundary such as the Great Lakes or the St. Lawrence river. Several sorts of marks have been made use of in different parts of the boundary, which include cairns, iron pillars, earth mounds and timber posts.

The stone cairns measure seven and a half by eight feet; the earth mounds seven by fourteen feet; the iron pillars are seven feet in height, and the timber posts five feet.

There are 365 of these marks between the Lake of the Woods and the base of the Rocky Mountains. That part of the boundary that lies east and west of the Red River Valley is marked at intervals of a mile by means of cast iron pillars. The British government placed a pillar every two miles and the United States placed one between each two. Our pillars were made at Detroit. They are hollow iron castings in the form of a truncated pyramid. They are eight feet in height, eight inches square at the bottom and four at the top. At the top of each is placed a solid pyramidal cap and at the bottom an octagonal flange, one inch thick.

Upon the opposite faces of the pyramid are cast, in two inch letters, the following words: "Convention of London, October 20, 1818." The inscriptions begin about four feet six inches above the base and read upwards. The interior of these hollow posts is filled with well seasoned cedar wood, sawed to fit, and securely spiked through holes cast in the pillars for the purpose. Each pillar weighs eighty-five pounds and is set four feet deep in the ground, with the inscriptions facing north and south.

In the parts where wooden posts were used well seasoned logs were selected and the part rising above the level of the ground was painted to prevent swelling or shrinking, red being the color selected. These posts answer the purpose very well, except for the fact that the Indians often cut them down for fuel, and consequently nothing but iron lasts very long.

In places where the boundary line crosses lakes great mounds of stone have been erected, the bases being in some instances eighteen feet below the surface and the tops projecting eight feet above the surface of the lake at high water mark.

In forest regions the line has been marked by felling the timber for a rod's width and clearing away the underbrush. The work of cutting through the swamps in this fashion was very arduous, but the task was well done, and the boundary distinctly marked by the commissioners the whole distance from Michigan to Alaska.—Phila. Times.

JAW BONE AND THE PHILIPPINES.

General Merritt has committed lese majesty. His crime consists of an economy of parliamentary language when speaking of the administration. The indiscretion was aggravated by the florid imagination of the newspaper reporter in whose presence it was said. All newspaper reporters are not to be trusted to clothe a deeply moved individual's naked thoughts in type. This is getting to be more and more an axiom.

It is the proper thing now for a great man to ask the newspaper reporter if his intentions are honorable before allowing him to examine a very extended portion of the secret recesses of his mental anatomy. Advantage has often been taken of the confiding in this respect, witness Billy Mason. He has scarcely a vestige of his virgin originality left. We know now every pulsation which throbs in his sorely ravished breast. The newspaper sleuth has exposed to the vulgar gaze what he thinks, how he thinks and how much he thinks.

But General Merritt may be held to strict account for his vicarious utterances. The fact appears to be that General Merritt has a lively appreciation of the task before him in being military governor of the Philippines. He will have to meet and dispose of 30,000 veteran Spanish soldiers, besides such of the Spanish inhabitants of the islands as may choose to ally themselves with that army. To accomplish this wild and gentle feat the War Department proposed to send him out with 12,000 undrilled and unseasoned militia together with, as a leaven, one thousand regulars.

General Merritt has remonstrated. He wrote the War Department asking for at least 5,000 regulars to give his command a better seasoning. The War Department kindly but firmly informed the general that it was running this little war. Apropos to which somebody has recalled the fact that General Merritt once presided at a trial by court martial of Secretary of War Alger. But of course this is all long since forgotten and pardoned by the one at the time adjudged guilty.

General Merritt, however, is not without those who agree with him. There are a number of Senators and Members of Congress whose sons have not been appointed brigadier generals who have called upon the executive concerning General Merritt's request. —Country News Letter.

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THE BRAVE HATE IN WAR.

When we see a regiment departing for the war we commonly think of the perils of battle the men are going to face. It is them, indeed, that [illegible] their heroism but they are not the greatest dangers. The [illegible] march have many more victims than the battlefield.

The Commissioner [illegible] Wisconsin has published [illegible] study of the statistics [illegible] the civil war that is [illegible] and insurgents at the [illegible] mates the whole number of enlistments for various terms [illegible] to 2,320,963 for three years. The best attainable estimate of mortality is as follows: Killed or died of wounds, 110,070; died of disease, 224,586; deaths from accident and all other causes, 24,872; total, 359,528, or fifteen and one half per cent. of the whole number of enlistments.

These figures give the death rate per thousand for a three years' term: From battle, 47; from disease, 97; from other causes, 11. The annual average death rate would thus be: From battle, 15 6 per 1,000; from disease, 32 3; from other causes, 3 6; total, 52. It may be recalled, for the purpose of comparison, that the average annual death rate of Philadelphia between 1861 and 1865 was 24 47 per thousand. This of course includes all ages, while the war figures apply only to those of military age, so that the comparison cannot be complete. Even with this important distinction, however, it is seen that the deaths from causes other than the enemy's fire was one and a half times as great among the soldiers in the field as among those who remained at home, while the deaths from battle were but thirty per cent. of the whole.

It is generally believed that with the great change effected in modern surgery by antiseptic methods, a very large proportion of wounds formerly fatal can now be treated with success, and not withstanding the development of the machinery of destruction, we can look confidently for a great diminution in the proportion of deaths in hospitals. But sanitary science also has developed greatly since 1865, so that many camp diseases, formerly thought inevitable, are now but little to be feared. Apart from the danger of the tropical fevers, which it is hard to calculate, there is good reason to believe that our soldiers now are facing much lighter risks than those who marched out in 1861.—Philadelphia Times.

OUR NAVY—ILLUSTRATED.

At the present moment, when all eyes are turned to the fleets which are sustaining so nobly the honor of our country, we often hear people ask, "What is the difference between an armored cruiser and a protected cruiser?" Very few people are able to answer such queries off hand, and it would be hard to obtain satisfactory answers to them from cyclopedias or dictionaries. To answer these and similar queries the Scientific American has just published a "Special Navy Supplement," a large folio of 40 pages illustrated by 90 illustrations, showing the vessels of the new navy, whether battleships, coast defence vessels, cruisers, rams, torpedo boats, gunboats and submarine boats. Unlike most publications dealing with the navy, the actual methods of "fighting the ship" are described—the engines, boilers, guns, turret, mechanism, steering gear, etc., being illustrated. We do not know of any publication which gives in any degree the same matter. The present time is most opportune for a publication of this kind and we are pleased to know that the sale has been phenominal. This issue contains a colored map of Cuba and the West Indies. It is sold for twenty five cents a copy by all newsdealers or by Messrs Munn & Co., Publishers, 361 Broadway, New York.

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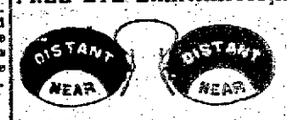

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—H C Wells tells you about hammocks, stationery, etc, in his new advertisement this week

—Rev I T Walker preached a very instructive sermon to the young people on Sunday evening

The question of celebrating Independence day is being agitated By all means let us celebrate.

—It is stated that Manager Joyce of the Olean ball team has shedaddled and left the team in the lurch.

—Two Bradford boys named Pascarelli and Peters were committed to jail Tuesday on a charge of burglary.

—The newly licensed places, the Commercial House and Novelty Restaurant, will open their bars Monday

—J Colegrove offers some special bargains for spot cash to-morrow, June 4th. Read advertisement on second page

—The postoffice at North Kane has been ordered discontinued and the mail for that office will hereafter go to Kane

—R C Gleason now entertains his friends with a new graphophone. "Ike" is bound to make a noise in one way or another

—H M Choate is deserving of the credit of having the most tasty and neat decorations on his dwelling of any in town Monday.

—Married on Saturday, May 21, at the residence of C W Liljendahl by Rev Olson Mr Hinning Anderson to Miss Minnie Swanson.

—As will be seen by referring to his advertisement in another column Dr. S Hicks, the optician, will be in Smethport on June 13, 14, 15 and 16

—Married, at the residence of the bride, Clermont, Pa., May 31, 1898, by Rev. Ward Burrows, Frank E. Walton of Bradford and Miss Margaret Sedford.

—Rabel, the 18-year-old daughter of Col Moore of Sistersville, W Va., formerly of Coleville, died at her home in that place last Monday morning.

—Misses S A Scull and Mamie Colegrove were out bright and early Monday morning decorating the employes of the P R & K Ry with beautiful bouquets.

—The Clermont base ball club and a nine picked up around town played a game interesting game at Hamlin Park Monday the home team winning 11 to 8.

—List of letters remaining in the postoffice for the week ending May 28, 1898 Miss Belva Ford, Mr William Gordon, Mrs. Betty Larson. 'Persons calling for these letters please say "advertised."

—There will be a meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society at the M E parsonage Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock. A tea will be served at 6 p. m. This new organization of fifty charter members starts out into being with much promise.

—Cobb & Co Spanish chapel will be open Sunday night and give a good supper for 15c, from 5:30 to 9. The ladies of Aid Society will wait upon you. Everybody welcome.

—The little town of New City is not lacking in patriotism. The first of the week the enterprising residents raised a flag staff from which the stars and stripes now float.

—Martin L. Haven of Custer City was taken to Smethport jail Monday by Constable Osborne. He is accused of assaulting his aged father with a pitchfork.—Bradford Record

—Work on the new glass plant is being rushed One large building, 110x120 feet, is already up and another started The works will be in operation ere winter's frosts are upon us.

—The new glass plant was the attraction last Sunday The wet weather previously had prevented people from visiting the new works, but Sunday almost everyone sauntered that way.

—Conductor Gillespie of the W N. Y. & P. R'y left Monday evening for Buffalo to attend the funeral of Conductor O'Brien. Conductor Schoff attended to his run during his absence.

—News reached here this week that Mrs. F. V. Powell of Ridgway, formerly of this place is suffering from the effects of a tumor. Her many Smethport friends wish her a speedy recovery.

—The Maccabee's clam bake and dance at New City last Friday was a success, both socially and financially. These events are among the most pleasant of any that take place in the county.

—There was one residence that had beside a grand display of bunting and a fine flag, the English Union Jack. Under existing circumstances its appearance there was greatly appreciated by the observer

—It is reported that Oscar Johnson of Roulette and his brother, Charles, of Port Allegany, who were on their way to the Klondike gold fields, were among those drowned in Lake Linderman, Alaska, recently.

—Everyone is intensely interested in our navy. To thoroughly understand it write to Messrs Munn & Co of New York, enclosing 25 cents, and secure a copy of "Our Navy" You will never regret it.

—The two unsightly poplar trees which have long disfigured the court house lawn were cut down Tuesday and the stumps transformed into flower stands. The beauty of the grounds is greatly enhanced by the act.

—The Elk league season opened on Monday when Kane defeated Johnsonburg by a score of 17 to 10 Tull, Sasse and Maher of last year's Smethport club played with Kane

—The A O T M and L O T M will hold their first annual meeting at Kane on June 11 Prominent speakers of both orders will be present and address the gathering A fine program has been prepared Everybody invited to attend

—John Blomster has sold the gas right on his farm in Blomster hollow for the sum sum of $2,045, reserving gas for his own use. John seems to have struck it rich and wears a broad smile that speaks of perfect contentment with all the world.

—In another column will be found the card of the Grand Central hotel at Olean It has recently been refitted in fine style and Robert Graves, with his smiling face behind the desk, is the right man in the right place. When in Olean give him a call

—H B McKinney is the champion farmer of Eldred. He has already enjoyed ripe, '98 tomatoes raised on his premises in this place.—Eldred Eagle Well, Gould, we will take your word for it this time, but such an effort is terrible on the nerves

—News comes from Mt. Jewett of the arrest of a man named John Shaw, who is supposed to be a counterfeiter. Shaw had two $1 counterfeit bills and a bogus 50-cent piece Two dies were also found in his possession Shaw was taken to Smethport jail —Bradford Era.

—Willie Fuller is pitching gilt-edged ball for Olean, but his support is as rocky as the devil's den Olean could greatly strengthen its team by securing the services of Full, Keefer, Sasse and Serviatius of this place, all of whom are fairies at fielding and demons at batting

—It is reported that a new postoffice will be established at Newton very soon and the name changed to Dewey, with S. W. Hubbard as postmaster It is to be hoped that McKean county will have the honor of naming the first postoffice after the distinguished naval commander.

—Mont Shoemaker, formerly of State Line Mills, has recently purchased the Grand Central Restaurant at Olean and is prepared to cater to the wants of the loner man, whether he is in a hurry or has leisure to enjoy his dinner. Prompt attention and the utmost respect shown to guests See his card in another column.

—The Memorial Day services at St. Luke's last Sunday were very fine and impressive The church was crowded The sermon was eloquent and full of good things befitting the occasion. The choir sustained its enviable reputation in rendering inspiring music and the duet by the Misses McCoy was highly appreciated

—There is a new song going the round of the press and it runneth this wise: "We don't want to buy at your place, we don't want to trade there any more, you'll be sorry when you see us going to some other store. You can't sell us any stale goods, we have opened wide our eyes, we don't want to trade at your store, 'cause you do not advertise."

—John Beastrom, one of the prominent Swedish-American citizens of this county, has moved his family from Mt. Jewett to Kane and they occupy the cottage of J. F. Wood on Bayard street.—Kane Republican We had strong hopes of securing Mr Beastrom and his excellent family as residents of Smethport, but it was willed otherwise.

—Mr. John Bergquist of Hazelhurst and Miss Emma Johnson of this borough were united in marriage at the residence of Hon. Henry Hamlin on Monday last, Rev. J. Heber McCandless officiating The MINER tenders to the newly wedded couple its congratulations with the wish that their lives may be long and happy Mr. and Mrs. Bergquist will reside at Hazelhurst.

—Last Thursday Mr. and Mrs. J. S. McCarty of Clermont adopted a 11½ pound bouncing boy. And that night Mr and Mrs. J. L. Smith of the same place, not to be outdone by the first named couple, inveigled a boy into their home, but could not compete in weight as the last arrival was only of ordinary size. All concerned are doing well, even Hugh Boyd, and the MINER tenders congratulations.

—From the peak of the Appert Glass Works the little village of Turtle Point can be seen. "Chet" King climbed up there one day last week under the impression that he could look around the devil's elbow and see Smethport.—Port Allegany Reporter. You had better keep an eye on Chet, in fast chain him up, or he will slip his moorings and come back to Smethport. He never feels contented anywhere else.

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The funeral, which it was expected would be largely attended by the bishops and priests of the Archdiocese of New York, was held from St. Joseph's church, Lamont, N. Y., of which Rev. Father Peter O Farrell is rector, and who is a cousin to the deceased and also to Rev. Father Flood.

Rev Father Egan leaves two sisters, who are sisters in the Sacred Heart convent, and three brothers, two of whom reside in New York, one is a doctor and the other an attorney, and the third lives at the old home in County Longford, Ireland.

The Buffalo Express has just issued a Pocket War Atlas which excels anything of the kind on the market—and, indeed, it would be hard to imagine anything in the map line finer in workmanship or more complete. For convenience the atlas is divided into two parts, each of which folded is 4x8 inches and spread 32x16 inches; both parts are printed in eight colors on very fine paper. Part one contains maps of Cuba, the West Indies, Jamaica, Porto Rico, Spain and Western Europe and the United States. Part two contains maps of The Philippines, with the east coast of China, Korea and Japan and The World on Mercator's Projection The plates for these maps have been engraved since war was declared, from the latest information collected from trustworthy sources, chiefly the United States War Department, this point of newness in which every other war map thus far issued is lacking. Another strong point is the perfect index with each map. This not only enables one to find any required place in a jiffy, but shows the population as well. The price of either part is 10 cents, both parts 20 cents.

Special Rates to Oil City June 8 to 9

On account of the G. A. R. Annual State Reunion at Oil City June 8 and 9 the W. N. Y. & P. R'y will sell tickets for the round trip from all stations on the company's lines in the State of Pennsylvania, for all regular trains June 8 to 9, good for return passage on or before June 11. Wednesday, June 8, is the date of the big parade, on Thursday, June 9, there will be a barbecue and other public festivities, at which the general public will be welcome.

Dr Byron Clark will wait on the numerous patients and any others who may call at Olean House Olean, N Y, on Thursday and Friday June 16 and 17. As a more notice crowds Dr Clark's rooms come early

Drop in at Gleason's studio and hear the improved graphophone. Some popular airs.

15 acres extra heavy clover for sale or to put on shares.

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As it [illegible] let me to plan both [illegible] by Luman Bell in regard to his shoe [illegible] me home on Bank street, is false in [illegible] every particular I never [illegible] out of doors But [illegible] after my wife [illegible] to fetch another boarding [illegible] would have before he would [illegible]

[illegible] which all the day before him and [illegible] to go and be [illegible] as well go [illegible] Soon after I went away and I did not return until a few minutes before he shot me

I was in [illegible] at noon

As to his [illegible] any of the [illegible] my Lease, that is a [illegible] He does not own one cent's worth, and furthermore he has many of the things in the world, except [illegible] got a mortgage on farm, but what [illegible] him He never earned a [illegible] during the time he was with me and I gave him better clothes than I had myself As to his doing the housework that week, and [illegible] was off the time my wife was in the [illegible] was February 15 the cattle was to [illegible] for my dog [illegible] (who is 11 years old) to pay for himself

As for my wife [illegible] to go to the [illegible] and [illegible] to go, [illegible] Blackwood, and he was up only a few [illegible] before the row and she says [illegible] never spoke to him

When I came home in the afternoon I had been drinking, but I was not so drunk as he would have to make out

I saw a gas burner on the gas light in the kitchen and the weather on the porch where he was sitting I took hold of his shoulder and said he had to go and go at once

He got up out of the chair himself and went down the steps to the side of the building below the porch I was down on the steps and stood with one foot on the upper step with my [illegible] toward him, when he pulled the gun out of his pocket and shot me. I [illegible] me, whether by accident or design I cannot say

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Made a New Man of Him.

Bryan, Ohio Jan. 10, 1898

Gentlemen:—[illegible] and I have been suffering [illegible] many years. Had a poor [illegible] for [illegible] years [illegible] Chamberlain's Pain Balm [illegible] and it has made a new man of me. I [illegible] back to my work. I did not want life to come to me to do it, would do what was right if I could. Yours truly,

Mrs. Mary E. Hess, that I [illegible] Balm has caused [illegible] greatest amazement in my family. I know of no one more to be cited than one who has to suffer for years, who finds relief with anything you do for it.

JOHN HESSERT

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 3rd day of June 1898

I. S. LEWIS
Justice of the Peace

Smethport, Pa.

For Sale or Rent.

The Peirce House situated on Water street, Smethport, Pa., near the B., H & K depot, is offered for sale or rent. This desirable property consists of a lot 66 ft wide by 11 rods deep, a two-story and basement brick building and large two story frame building 30 feet. Has 30x60 feet of roof, first floor well-aranged on a [illegible] cellar overhead, second floor [illegible] and furnished and [illegible] will accommodate 40 to 50 [illegible] for selling, failing health

A. H. Peirce,
Smethport, Pa.

21-tf

D. D. Ames has made an arrangement [illegible] and is about to occupy a portion [illegible] to do any and all kinds of wood [illegible] to do any and all [illegible]

Smethport, Pa. May 10, 1898.

"A New Leg Occasion

Wherever properly introduced Dr Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, as a cure for constipation, has met with a phenomenal sale. Many druggists cannot say enough [illegible] of its merits, as well as its [illegible] with the people in the [illegible] and 50c and $1.00 sizes [illegible] Armstrong & Co

For Sale.

The nicely [illegible] and gents' restaurant [illegible] centrally located, doing a good [illegible] to be sold cheap. Good [illegible] Address

THE PALM RESTAURANT,
19-4t 189 Main St., Olean, N. Y

To Registered Men.

Have on hand a large stock of trusses of the latest make and patterns, and will [illegible] same I will for a short [illegible]

Palace Pharmacy, Burg Chadwick, M. D., Proprietor. 50-05

Great Danger in Coughs.

Neglected Coughs are the cause of [illegible] danger to all. Brandt's Horehound Syrup [illegible] Chamberlain's Cough Remedy [illegible] Sold by A. E. Armstrong & Co.

For Sale

[illegible] Rubber bicycles [illegible] Call a

When you [illegible] a first-class meal for 25 cents call at the Palm Restaurant, 189 Union street.

PERSONAL MENTION.

[illegible] greeting friends a

[illegible] down from Hazel

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T. G. A. Shoemaker came up from Limestone Saturday

A. P. B. Anderson of Kane was in town Wednesday night

Attorney C. W. Catlin was over from Port Allegany Tuesday.

Deputy Sheriff W. B Clarke made Kane a business visit on Wednesday.

Mrs Hamilton and daughters, Abbie and Lena, were in town Wednesday

Pat Kelley of Port Allegany was in town Wednesday and lifted his leg.

Capt E R Mayo delivered the Memorial Day address at Coudersport Monday

W P Mulhern of Clermont was an interested spectator at the ball game Monday

Corrector Paul Charles of Bradford assisted the Smethport band on Memorial Day.

Miss Ella Bellum of Austin visited her parents in this borough on Decoration Day

Mrs S G Bush went to Ridgway this morning to visit her sister, Mrs I V Powell

Mrs B D. Chrisley and Miss Agnes Swan of Colegrove visited in town Monday

Attorneys L R Mayo and son, G B., made a business trip to Port Allegany Wednesday

Mrs Z U Weiss of East Smethport went to Rochester Friday to remain awhile with her daughter who is ill

Dr. Thomas K. Corbett and Elizabeth Kane and daughter of Kaukauna came in on their private car Tuesday

F. W. Pierce and family of Buffalo were guests of Dr and Mrs. Pierce from Saturday last Thursday this week.

Mrs John Sprague came up from Buffalo Saturday and was the guest of Mr and Mrs A. T Palmer a few days

Rev. M. P Flood was called to New York Monday to attend the funeral of his cousin, Rev Joseph P Egan

C. A Burdick, J. A Yerdon, Chas Bates and Geo Mellon are fishing on Straight creek They will return to-morrow

Hon Henry Hamlin accompanied his grandson, Craig Kane, as far as Olean on his way home to Binghamton last Saturday

John H Dare and wife, Chas Oberg and wife and Chas Tunden and wife of Mt Jewett were quests at the Wright House Tuesday

Mr and Mrs M B Greer and daughter, Sarah, came down from Kane on Friday last to visit Mrs Greer's mother, Mrs A Reilly, who is quite ill

Geo W Mitchell, Jas. A McKean, J M McElroy, I H Ryan, W A Young and Burt Olson attended the Republican State convention at Harrisburg yesterday

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Mr and Mrs George Camp arrived in town Saturday. They expect to make their home with us and will probably occupy the Comes residence below the Wright House

Hon C W Goodyear of Buffalo was observed on our streets last Thursday night He walks with a cane. In a remark to the MINER man said, "I'll Maine and I went down on the same day

News From John Dodge.

MERRILL, WIS., May 30, 1898

EDS MINER —

As I promised a good many of the boys around home that I would write to them and let them know how times are in Wisconsin, I thought I would write you a few lines and if you see fit you may publish them in your paper. I am camped some eight miles up the Wisconsin river north of Merrill on its bank, built a camp 24x30 feet, my office is 12x12; cook and sitting room 24x4, men's room 16x24 and have a bed in my room Keep clothing and tobacco for the men Have a good man cook and fit to cook

Ill company have four pine camps up the river above me putting in logs this summer The Ill company, etc Mr Daly told me the other day that they had on their pay roll now, all told, 800 names, 140 riversmen, the rest woodsmen, teamsters and mill men They have 150 work horses besides their driving and saddle horses I am hiring men from $20 to $26 per month and board for good hard, and good workers, too, but they do not understand the work as well as wood men of Pennsylvania Mr Daly is a son of the late Eugene Daly of Potato creek He is a fine business man a wealthy man, too He has a fine residence in Grand Rapids

The Limbock here is a short but hot tempered Irishman than at home I have a crew of 50 men and it keeps me busy looking after them, more so than it would if they were all Irishmen at the business

Merrill is a nice town, with about 8 000 inhabitants A Swiss trotting horse brought plenty from there Most of the inhabitants are homesteaders The Indians not very good but quite stony His a fine river and a great many logs pass by every day, but the rear of the main drive has not yet passed We have very good water but not so good as the springs at home The most trouble I have with my crew is to keep them from fishing I can smell them frying now We got one here that weighs 20 pounds I told them last evening when they came in with enough for the whole crew's breakfast that I would have to eat my dinner raw and they have been very careful ever since

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Dr. Isaac Horner, proprietor of the Bon Ton House, Easton, W. Va., and one of the most widely known men in that State, was cured of rheumatism after three years of suffering. He says: "I have used a number of remedies, but Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the only one that gave me any relief. For sale by A. E. Armstrong & Co.

Made a New Man of Him.

Bryan, Ohio Jan. 10, 1898

Gentlemen:—[illegible] and I have been suffering [illegible] many years. Had a poor [illegible] for [illegible] years [illegible] Chamberlain's Pain Balm [illegible] and it has made a new man of me. I [illegible] back to my work. I did not want life to come to me to do it, would do what was right if I could. Yours truly,

Mrs. Mary E. Hess, that I [illegible] Balm has caused [illegible] greatest amazement in my family. I know of no one more to be cited than one who has to suffer for years, who finds relief with anything you do for it.

JOHN HESSERT

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 3rd day of June 1898

I. S. LEWIS
Justice of the Peace

Smethport, Pa.

For Sale or Rent.

The Peirce House situated on Water street, Smethport, Pa., near the B., H & K depot, is offered for sale or rent. This desirable property consists of a lot 66 ft wide by 11 rods deep, a two-story and basement brick building and large two story frame building 30 feet. Has 30x60 feet of roof, first floor well-aranged on a [illegible] cellar overhead, second floor [illegible] and furnished and [illegible] will accommodate 40 to 50 [illegible] for selling, failing health

A. H. Peirce,
Smethport, Pa.

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D. D. Ames has made an arrangement [illegible] and is about to occupy a portion [illegible] to do any and all kinds of wood [illegible] to do any and all [illegible]

Smethport, Pa. May 10, 1898.

"A New Leg Occasion

Wherever properly introduced Dr Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, as a cure for constipation, has met with a phenomenal sale. Many druggists cannot say enough [illegible] of its merits, as well as its [illegible] with the people in the [illegible] and 50c and $1.00 sizes [illegible] Armstrong & Co

For Sale.

The nicely [illegible] and gents' restaurant [illegible] centrally located, doing a good [illegible] to be sold cheap. Good [illegible] Address

THE PALM RESTAURANT,
19-4t 189 Main St., Olean, N. Y

To Registered Men.

Have on hand a large stock of trusses of the latest make and patterns, and will [illegible] same I will for a short [illegible]

Palace Pharmacy, Burg Chadwick, M. D., Proprietor. 50-05

Great Danger in Coughs.

Neglected Coughs are the cause of [illegible] danger to all. Brandt's Horehound Syrup [illegible] Chamberlain's Cough Remedy [illegible] Sold by A. E. Armstrong & Co.

For Sale

[illegible] Rubber bicycles [illegible] Call a

When you [illegible] a first-class meal for 25 cents call at the Palm Restaurant, 189 Union street.

OBSERVATIONS.

BRADFORD

Bradford had a match game of base ball players and [illegible] city many [illegible] their playing and [illegible] If the [illegible] were [illegible] Bradford [illegible] Time [illegible] and the team [illegible] at [illegible] [illegible] Bradford [illegible] Bradford [illegible] winning the [illegible] Bradford [illegible] Olean [illegible] Bradford [illegible] Olean [illegible] Bradford [illegible] Olean

SPRING AND SUMMER.

Spring is growing up,
Is it not a pity?
She was such a little thing,
And so very pretty.
Summer is extremely grand,
We must pay her duty —
But it is to Little Spring
That she owes her beauty!

From the glowing sky
Summer shines above us;
Spring was such a little dear,
But will Summer love us?
She is very beautiful,
With her grown up blisses,
Summer we must bow before;
Spring we coax with kisses;

Spring is growing up,
Leaving us so lonely,
In the place of little Spring
We have Summer only!
Summer with her lofty airs,
And her stately paces,
In the place of little Spring,
With her childish graces.

A CONFESSION.

Her adversary was my opportunity. "Agnes Watson was boring her. I could see, so I made my way between the dancers and said easily, "Our dance, I believe."

Mrs. Featherstone is a woman of intelligence. She consulted her program with an anxious brow, and said gravely, "So it is. People do sprinkle their programs, or perhaps it's the penalty."

"Are you going to reward me for that?" I said, as I led her away from young Watson's best story.

"Virtue is its own reward" the copybooks say."

"But this was not virtue; it was a bit. How do you propose to compensate me for my loss of self-respect?"

"I will sit out this dance with you."

She seemed in a most pliant mood; but my eyes were pensive, and the corners of her mouth drooped a little. She even made no objection to the conservatory, as I had feared, but sank back in an easy chair, her hands clasped loosely in her lap.

"You aren't yourself to-night. Are you tired or is love?"

"I am sure I am tired, and I expect I am in love."

"What are the symptoms? I will diagnose it for you," I said.

"A longing for his presence, a delight when he is with me, a blankness when he goes, a craving for his approval, a dread of his censure."

"H'm. It sounds like a serious form of the complaint. Appetite good?"

"Certainly. It's quite out of date to lose your appetite when you are in love."

"When di' you first notice the symptoms?"

"So long ago that I fear the complaint has become chronic."

"And is it reciprocal?"

"I hope so." Her voice broke a little, and I could see she blushed. It suddenly occurred to me that she was in earnest, and I could not believe Mrs. Featherstone could be in earnest over anything.

"Who is it?" I asked.

"I don't like to tell you." She turned her head away.

"I say, see I am not the happy man." It is difficult to hit just the right pitch of voice between jest and earnest; but I flattered myself I had done it, and she need not have answered so heartily, "O, don't be so ridiculous, of course not. That would be all right, but now —if people knew they would drop me."

I was rather staggered. Of course, there were excuses to be made for her. A pretty woman, with a bookworm husband who never went out with her; and a natural taste for frivolity; still, she must draw the line.

"Don't you think it's rather a pity?" I asked.

"O, it is, is it! But what am I to do? I can't help it," she said.

"Does the man know?"

"I think so."

"Look here, how would it be if I saw him and spoke to him; asked him to keep out of the way, and all that?"

"He wouldn't listen to you, I am sure."

"Is he a man I know?"

"I think you have met him, but you hardly know him. He isn't in our set," she faltered.

"O!" I said, rather dismayed; she had never struck me as being that sort of woman. I wondered whether it were an actor; some women go crazy over a man they have only seen on the stage.

"I know it's a terrible thing. I have tried my best to cure myself of it, but I can't," she said hurriedly. "And —and I am so terribly in her power should guess. It is unlooked on, but I think I am quite safe with you."

"Of course you are." I raised the clasped hands gravely. A Father Confessor may do that much by way of benediction. "But be brave. Put an end to this unworthy infatuation. Go away where you can't see him for a time." I was quite ardent in my missionary zeal.

"I—I can't. He wouldn't let me."

This was terrible. She had evidently fallen into the hands of some adventurer or black-mailer, who would never loosen his hold on her until he had wrung the last penny from her.

"You haven't written any letter, I hope?"

"A few——" very reluctantly.

"Then, Featherstone, let me act for you in this matter. Tell me this man's name, and trust it all to me."

"I am afraid you will be shocked," she murmured.

"Not I. Tell me!" I insisted.

She looked at me with a desperate courage in her gray eyes. "Ah! don't look at me. Turn your head away," she entreated.

I obeyed. I could hear her, quick-going breathing, the rustle of her dress. Was she only holding her hand of her?

"It—it—it's my husband," she said. And this is the reward of my Knight Errantry.

Hardest Explosives.

Who ever heard of sawdust explosives? They are common enough in Canada. Navigation on the Ottawa river has been seriously impeded at times by the explosion of sawdust, and the Dominion government has at last decided to take steps to prevent any explosion which will enhance the possibility of those explosions taking place. One would hardly suppose that sawdust dumped into the river would in the course of time reform itself into a hard consistency which would keep the bottom of the stream in a constant state of upheaval. But it is true to such an extent that small boats have been capsized and large vessels have been injured by the submarine convulsions.

The bottom of the Ottawa river is covered with a deep layer of sawdust dumped there by the lumbermen, who have engaged on their log-cutting industry on the banks and tributaries for many years past, becoming water soaked, sinking to the bottom, and in the course of time rots and generates a highly explosive gas. The latter rises to the surface, each bubble being joined or reinforced by other bubbles on their way up. Contact with air seems to be as destructive as touchfire to this gas, and the moment the surface is reached it explodes with a loud report. Explosions may in time do away with the deposits, but even if no more sawdust is thrown into the stream unfortunately, still millions of tons already there will take a long time to lose all their gas-generating qualities.

Instrumental Physics.

"Ah, me," sighed the postage of passage, "I should be free as a bird."

"Pshaw," said the practical individual, "you had better play with anyhow, you'll find it a heap easier."

SACK OF PORT-AU-PRINCE.

How Morgan's Buccaneers Fought Into a Haytian City.

When the fleet arrived at the nearest Haytian harbor, writes Frank R. Stockton, Morgan, the pirate, landed his men and marched toward the town, but he did not succeed in making a secret attack, as he had hoped. A Spanish prisoner had let himself drop overboard, and, swimming ashore, had warned the Governor of the attack. Thus prepared, this able commander marched a body of soldiers along the road by which the pirates must come, and when he found a suitable spot he built a formidable barricade. Behind this his soldiers were posted with their muskets and their cannon.

But when Morgan came within sight of this barricade, he considered that it might be certainly unnecessary to attempt to force through that admirable defense. He marched his men into the woods, left them entirely around the barricade, and came out upon a wide plain before the town.

Here he found that he would have to pass his way into the city and probably much to his surprise his men were presently charged by a body of cavalry.

The pirates routed the horsemen, but after a fight of about four hours, took possession of the town. Here they captured a great many prisoners, whom they shut up in the churches, and then sent detachments out into the country to look for those who had run away. Then these utterly debased and cruel men took their usual course after capturing a town; they pillaged, feasted, and revelled. Even when the poor citizens seemed to have given up everything they owned, they were told that if they did not pay two heavy ransoms they would be carried away into slavery, and that their town would be burned.

For two weeks the pirates waited for the unfortunate people to go out into the country and find some of their fellow-citizens who had escaped with a portion of their treasure. In those days people did not keep their wealth in banks as they do now, but every man was the custodian of most of his own possessions, and when they fled from the dissolution of an enemy they took with them everything of value that they could carry. Before the citizens returned Morgan made a discovery; a negro was taken who was carrying letters from the Governor of Santiago, a neighboring city, to some of the citizens of Port-au-Prince, telling them not to be in too great a hurry to pay the ransom, because he was coming with a strong force to their assistance. When Morgan read these letters, he changed his mind and thought it would be a wise thing not to stay in that region any longer than could be helped. So he decided not to wait for the unfortunate citizens to collect the heavy ransom he demanded, but told them that if they would furnish him with five hundred head of cattle, and also supply salt and help prepare the meat for shipment, he would make no further demands upon them. This, of course, the citizens were glad enough to do, and the buccaneers sailed away.

Overseen Colorado Schools.

Women are at the fore in educational matters in Colorado. Out of the fifty-nine counties in the State twenty-seven have women superintendents of schools, and every school board has from one to two women members. In fact, the entire department is in the hands of the fair sex, to whom United States Commissioner Harris was able to pay especial compliment. "The Colorado schools are the model schools of the country." At the head of this system is Professor Grace Espy Patton of Denver, State Superintendent of Instruction.

Not only has she become widely known as the first woman to hold the high position of State Superintendent of Public Instruction, but in recognition of her splendid services she has won a new honor of a national character. Professor Patton goes to Chattanooga, Tenn., to attend the national convention of the State superintendents of public instruction, over which masculine assemblage she has been invited to be presiding officer. Professor Patton, who is barely old enough to hold her present position, has gathered about her in Denver a clever coterie of feminine assistants. The efficiency of her work has been generally recognized.

Irreversible Sentences.

Sometimes sentences will make sense backward:

Friends pledges make life and society unfaithful.

Apply the same rule to the others given below:

Days slowly rolling days; winds mourning
Tell sighs;
Softest chairs are walking;
Pines whisper, laughing, holding revel
Nights;
Night silence holding.

Solomon had vast treasures—silver and gold, many precious. Happy and rich and wise was he. Faithful servant he died.

She sits beautiful sadly, often too much above.

Love is lasting and driven is love, says.

Thyme is poverty and flushing is love.

Badly governed and fearfully trembled men is England.

Exercise takes, because
Rise early and breathe free air;
Eat slowly; trouble drive away;
Feet warmish keep; Head work with play.

Adieu, darlings! Time flies fast; seats are set, boats are ready. Farewell!

Matter and mind are mysteries. Never mind. What is matter? Matter is—never mind. What is mind? Mind is—never matter.

Honesty and truth are good and admirable qualities, as sympathy and love are endearing traits.

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Everybody Says So.

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EATEN BY SHARKS.

TRAGIC FATE OF AN AFRICANAIT IN HAVANA HARBOR.

He Makes a Desperate Effort for Inland But the Billows Contend Out to Sea—When He Feels That the Sharks Are Not Wolves Turn Him to Prey Upon Instead.

The [illegible] harbor is as jammed full of man-eating sharks as the Upper Orinoco is of alligators," said a Washington man who lives for several years in the Cuban capital, "and although it is a sorry enough thing to have to say, I did believe that many of the bodies of the poor fellows who lost their lives in the Maine disaster would be cast up on the beach. Aside from the big man-eaters that infest the harbors of the islands in the South Pacific, close to the line, I don't believe the waters of the whole world hold any more ravenous or ferocious sharks than those that make seabathing in Havana harbor a luxury that is indulged in only by the most reckless and foolhardy men. The so-called man-eaters of northern waters, big and ugly as they look, are generally as rank cowards of the sea as coyotes are of the land, and a whole school of sharks of the temperate zone will scoot from a level-headed man who keeps up a steady kicking and splashing in the water, like a pack of released rats scurrying from a terrier. But the sharks of Havana harbor have got a taste of human blood—for scarcely a week passes that some silly Havana man or boy does not get himself gobbled up by the man-eaters—and the fact is no longer disputed by seafaring men that once a shark acquires an appetite for human beings, he will risk anything after that to appease that appetite.

"When the city of Havana was celebrating, six years ago, the anniversary of the birth of the young King of Spain, the next biggest feature of the blowout after the bull fights was a balloon ascension by a Spanish aeronaut named Ramon Margulies. I was spending the holiday on an electric launch with a party of friends, and in the afternoon we watched for the ascension. Along about 4 o'clock we saw the balloon shoot into the air from one of the minor plazas, with Margulies, dressed in gymnast's tights, hanging by his legs from a trapeze suspended beneath the basket. The air was very still, and the aeronaut had apparently figured on making a reasonably high straight-up ascent, and then, by pulling the escape valve, to descend within the city or on its outskirts. As he must have known how thickly the harbor was infested with sharks, he could certainly not have seriously entertained the thought of letting his balloon descend in the harbor.

"At any rate, when his balloon reached an altitude of about half a mile, we could see that it had swam into a current of air that plainly began to carry it over the harbor. With the aid of our glasses we could perceive the aeronaut climbing from the trapeze into the basket, and, a moment or so after, he disappeared from view. It became apparent to us that he had pulled the escape valve, for the balloon began to rapidly descend, but by the time the valve was opened the upper air current had carried the balloon well over the waters of the bay. The engineer of our launch, at my direction, started four bells for the spot in the water where we figured the balloon would descend, for we all knew that the aeronaut would not be long in the water before the sharks got after him. The balloon came down too swiftly, however, for the launch to be of any assistance to Margulies. We were two hundred yards away when the basket of the almost collapsed balloon struck the water. Just before the basket touched the water Margulies appeared on its edge and dived head first into the harbor, in order, apparently to prevent his becoming entangled with the basket netting. We saw his head bob up once, and we put on all power to reach him with the launch. But when we saw a dozen big man-eaters' fins cleaving the water straight for the spot where the unfortunate aeronaut's head had appeared, we knew that it was all up with him. He did not show at the surface again, and when we reached the spot where he had jumped in we saw nothing but little eddies of blood on the surface of the water. The sharks had torn him to pieces.

A Petrified Rattlesnake.

A strange petrification was recently found in Kentucky which closely resembles a huge rattlesnake. Whether or not it be that is a question upon which scientists are divided.

The curiosity was found by Farmer John N. Brown in the mountainous regions of Wayne County, Ky. When he came upon it suddenly he thought it a big live snake and was frightened. But when he saw his mistake he made an examination and decided that the find was worth removing to his yard, where it now lies. Mr. Brown describes it as follows:

"It has a head exactly resembling a rattler's head, but it is a little large in proportion to the body—not enough, however, to dispose of the theory of it having been a snake. Its head measures eight inches across in the widest place. It was twenty-one feet long when I first got it, but the relic hunters have broken off and purloined about three feet of its tail. It is sixteen inches in circumference and the largest part of its body which is some nearer the head than the tail. It has the natural taper of the snake; in fact, in every particular it resembles a huge rattler in a coiled position."

A Rapid Stenographer.

Isaac S. Dement of Chicago is known as the champion shorthand writer. At an official meeting at Lake George, N. Y., in 1888, he wrote 252 words a minute for five consecutive minutes from new matter. He claims to have written 362 words in one minute before a business college at Quincy, Ill.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by A. B. Armstrong & Co.

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A SMUT PREVENTATIVE.

Novel Hot Water Treatment For Oats, That is Simple.

The hot water treatment for smut is very simple. The water is heated in a large kettle and kept at 132 to 133. Two half barrels are arranged as shown in the illustration, re-drawn from Bulletin 59, Wisconsin experiment station. One contains cold water and the other water at 130 to 120 degrees. By means of a lever suspended from the top of a tripod, the basket which holds the oats can be transferred from one to the other easily. As soon as the water in the first vessel falls below the required temperature it can be raised by adding hot water from the iron kettle. The temperature of the kettle is regulated by a smaller or larger fire.

TREATING SMUTTED OATS SEED.

The grain is first immersed in the half barrel of water at 110-120, so that it may be warmed up somewhat. The temperature of the iron kettle is thus more easily maintained. Move the basket up and down until all the grain is thoroughly wet. By depressing the lever the oats are removed from the water and allowed to drain for a few moments, then are lowered into the kettle. Here it is moved up and down for ten minutes when it is taken out and placed in the vessel containing cold water. The grain is then spread out where it will dry before being seeded. The temperature of the water in the kettle must not vary more than a few degrees. If it gets too high the vitality of the seed will be impaired; if too low the smut germs will not be killed.

Intensive Farming.

If farmers who delight in owning and working large areas could see the crops taken from small plots by the truckers near New York city, they would receive an object lesson in intensive farming, which would be effectual. On Long Island and in New Jersey especially, there are dozens of patches, not farms, which, with the aid of a few hotbeds, are made to pay high rents and support large families. The soil is kept to the highest point of fertility, every inch of it is thoroughly cultivated and every advantage is taken of the lay of the land. From the first day that the weather will permit the soil being worked until the ground is finally used for celery blanching, it is constantly employed in crop production; it is no unusual sight to see half a dozen men industriously at work on an acre or two of ground. It is the same principle the florist applies to plant and flower growing. If his benches yield but one crop of plants or blossoms during the year, his business is a failure. Every square foot of it must yield two or more crops for a profitable year's work.

Buckwheat Bran.

There is much less value in the bran from buckwheat than there is from the bran of either winter or spring white wheats. The bran has, besides, a roughness that causes it to be very laxative, and it appears to have the effect of a poison to the skin when fed to hogs. We once fed some buckwheat bran to cows. It did not make as rich milk as we had been getting from wheat bran, and as the yield also fell off we soon stopped feeding it. There is little nutriment in buckwheat bran, as it is secured in these times. The buckwheat flour is about as dear as wheat flour, and none of it is suffered to go into the bran. We doubt whether the bran has any more nourishment than have the stalks of buckwheat, which, if saved, cattle will eat quite greedily in winter, but generally with the effect of making their skins itch so that they will rub themselves against the stables or stanchions at every chance they get.

Steam Engines For Farm Use.

Because farmers always have horse power on the farm it does not follow that it must be used for every purpose where additional power is required. There are many kinds of jobs where a small engine which any farmer can easily learn to run, will give better satisfaction and be far less expensive than keeping a horse. With the proper connections so as to furnish the power such an engine will do the churning or run the milk separator. It will do the washing and turn the grindstone in summer, a job that has disgusted more boys with farming than any other. One of the best uses of the engine is to make it turn a lathe, where the young people can cut out various kinds of wooden utensils and learn skill in handicraft that will be useful to them all their lives.

Drainage For Sour Soils.

No land, however rich, can produce good crops when saturated with water. Drainage is the remedy for wet and sour soils.

The Costa Rican Counterfeiters.

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